

MINUTES

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
59th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE BILL 540

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN STEVE GALLUS**, on April 15, 2005 at 9 A.M., in Room 317-A Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Steve Gallus, Chairman (D)
Sen. Joseph Tropila (D)
Sen. Sam Kitzenberg (R)
Rep. Sue Dickenson (D)
Rep. Carol Juneau (D)
Rep. Jack Wells (R)
Rep. Scott Sales (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Catherine Duncan, Legislative Branch
Laura Good, Committee Secretary

Please Note. These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 540, 4/14/2005
Executive Action: HB 540

The following exhibits were submitted prior to the meeting:

[EXHIBIT\(jhh81hb0540a01\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh81hb0540a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(jhh81hb0540a03\)](#)

CHAIR SEN. STEVE GALLUS, SD 37, BUTTE, called the meeting to order.

REP. SUE DICKENSON, HD 25, GREAT FALLS, provided a history and overview of House Bill 540, noting the defeated Senate floor amendment for a \$500,000 dinosaur museum appropriation.

[EXHIBIT\(jhh81hb0540a04\)](#)

Motion: REP. DICKENSON moved that THE COMMITTEE REMOVE THE SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENT REGARDING THE DINOSAUR MUSEUM APPROPRIATION FROM HB 540.

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Discussion:

SEN. SAM KITZENBERG, SD 18, GLASGOW, expressed to the committee that he did not intend to endanger other HB 540 projects by adding the dinosaur museum Senate floor amendment. He offered his support for the current motion.

Vote: Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

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Motion/Vote: REP. DICKENSON moved that HB 540 IN ITS NEW FORM BE ADOPTED. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:15 A.M.

SEN. STEVE GALLUS, Chairman

LAURA GOOD, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

EXHIBIT ([jhh81hb0540aad0.TIF](#))